does not subscribe to this theory. India's foreign policy is wedded to the national ethos of peaceful co-existence between various religious and ethnic groups. India's endeavour at various international and regional forums has been to work towards promotion of peace and stability which are the pre-conditions for economic development and well-being of the people.

ASEAN code on employment of foreign nationals

5053. DR. M. N. DAS :

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether India is planning to push for an ASEAN code on employment of foreign nationals to prevent harassment of its professionals working in South East Asian countries:

(b) If so, whether India has agreed to seek Singapore's help in this matter:

(c) Whether harassment for 200 Indian Information Technology professionals in Malaysia recently and arrest of Polaris CEO in Indonesia has forced New Delhi on this course of action;

(d) Whether this code will provide better working conditions for Indian professionals besides laying out clear guidelines on visa requirements and working norms: and

(e) If so, by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA) : (a) No.

(b) to (e) Does not arise.

Visa restrictions imposed by Russia

5054. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH:

SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Moscow has recently imposed visa restrictions on the countries that pose the threat of illegal immigration and India is one of them;

(b) if so, the details thereof and what steps are being taken to solve the problem;

(c) what have been the result of the meetings between the officials of the two countries: and